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MEMORANDUM FOR: COAPS
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SUBJECT: Failure of JAEIC to Receive Counter-Espionage
Information having a Positive Intelligence Value

1. The proposed letter to the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation is returned together with the covering memorandum.

2. I saw Mr. Hoover and Mr. Ladd and explained the situation to them orally and they both assured me that the press reports concerning knowledge of the Fuchs case for several years are entirely erroneous. Further, they had the information on Fuchs only a few days before it was transmitted to us and only a day or so before the British made it public.

3. They further assured me that all information they received would be made available to CIA at as early a date as practicable. In this connection, please take note of Mr. Hoover's letter to the Director on this subject, dated 15 March 1950, ER 0-9562.

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